Medical

Restrictions on the dress regulations in the Madras Medical College.

* 1686 Q.—Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that grown up students of the Medical College, Madras, are compelled by the college authorities to wear 'open' coats ;

(*b*) whether these students are compelled to wear neck-ties ; and

(*c*) under what authority these regulations are sought to be enforced ?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) An extract [a] from the dress regulations of the College is appended.

(*c*) The regulations were framed by the Medical College Council in 1892, were approved by the Director of Public Instruction in whom the general control of the College was vested at the time and have been in force ever since.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know, with regard to appendix I what is meant by 'English shoes'? Does it mean shoes manufactured in an English factory ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" Also in an Indian factory as I understand it and of English pattern."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know why such meticulous details with regard to dress are sought to be insisted upon in this College ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" They were considered necessary in the year 1892. Subsequently, the matter has not been reconsidered. It is a matter of detail."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Will the hon. Minister look into the matter and see if these rules cannot be brought up-to-date ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" If the students or professors of the College make any representations in the matter, it will be reconsidered."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know if the matter is under reconsideration in view of the answer given ? "

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—" No."

Transfer of Mr. Nallathambi Pillai, Sub-Assistant Surgeon of Kulittalai.

* 1687 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether he has received petitions and telegrams from the residents of Kulittalai praying for the transfer of Mr. Nallathambi Pillai, the Sub-Assistant Surgeon of the place ;

(*b*) whether any enquiry was held by the District Medical Officer on the matter and what the conclusions of the enquiry were ; and

(*c*) whether the Government propose to transfer Mr. Nallathambi Pillai from Kulittalai and if not, why not ?

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 537 infra.

A.—(*a*) One telegram was received on the subject in April 1928 signed Ramaswami Sholayar.

(*b*) Yes. There was no complaint as regards his professional work, but the complaint was that he was siding with the opponents of Ramaswami Sholayar.

(*c*) The question of transfer will be dealt with according to the rules.

11-15 a.m. Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—"May I know, Sir, at what stage the matter stands at present especially with regard to answer (*c*), and whether the matter has taken a further turn?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—"The transfer of sub-assistant surgeons and assistant surgeons is a matter for the Surgeon-General to deal with."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—"May I know, Sir, whether the Government intend communicating to the Surgeon-General this question and the answer?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—"If the hon. Member will state the necessity for it, I will do so."

Dr. B. S. MALLAYA :—"May I know whether there is any rule restricting the transfers to five years of an officer in a place."

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—"I am thankful for the information. There is such a rule."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—"With reference to answer to clause (*b*), may I know what the nature of the enquiry was? Also the nature of the complaint?"

The hon. Mr. S. MUTHIAH MUDALIYAR :—"The complaint was that he was opposed to a particular person."

Public Health

Distribution of quinine in Koilkuntla taluk.

* 1688 *Q.*—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of doses of quinine supplied to the several distributing agencies in the taluk of Koilkuntla of the Kurnool district for free distribution during the months of August, September and November 1928;

(*b*) the number of doses actually distributed;

(*c*) the number of attacks of malaria during these three months in the taluks of Sirvel and Nandyal; and

(*d*) how the people of Nandyal and Sirvel taluks have been provided for in the matter of treatment for malaria?

A.—(*a*) Free distribution of quinine was commenced only in November 1928. During that month 1,335 packets or quinine (each packet containing twenty 5-grain tablets) were supplied.

(*b*) One thousand three hundred and seventeen packets were distributed in November 1928.